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## Colonel Light Gardens Primary School Newsletter

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### Diary Dates

#### February

10 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school assembly 11:20am
13 <sup>th</sup>	Pupil free day – Australian Curriculum training
14 <sup>th</sup>	Library lovers day
21 <sup>st</sup>	Pancake day, Acquaintance night
29 <sup>th</sup>	Reading session for Reception parents 9-10am in Staffroom

### Dear parents, students and community friends

As I mentioned briefly in last weeks newsletter the year at our school has started extremely well. Staff and students have been focussing on our school values of RESPECT, CARE and SAFETY and with those in mind also establishing classroom expectations and ways of working together.

Teachers will be outlining the work and decisions students have made about their classrooms in the lead up to and at the upcoming Acquaintance night to be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> February, (see details below). The Acquaintance night is an important night in the school calendar as it is an informal evening where the crucial partnership of parent/ teacher relationships can be established and common understandings shared about plans for the year. It's also an ideal opportunity to meet other parents of children in the same class.

Another important night in the school calendar is the school's Annual General Meeting (AGM). This year's AGM is on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm. At this meeting the school's successes and challenges are shared and members of the Governing Council are elected. The Governing Council has joint responsibility with the Principal for the governance of the school and as such is a key decision making group within the school. If you are interested in joining the Governing Council or know of someone you think would be able to contribute to the development of our school please complete the nomination form accompanying this newsletter. If you would like more information about the role of a governing council member and the responsibilities of the Governing Council, please don't hesitate to contact me. Everyone is welcome to attend the AGM and once again I would encourage you to come along.

A reminder that **Monday** is a **pupil free day** and our teachers will be joining with our neighbouring schools to gain more information and share practice about mathematics as part of the Australian curriculum. We

spent this week's staff meeting focussing on the intent and purpose of the curriculum in order to be better prepared for the day.

The rationale for The Australian Curriculum: Mathematics is that it will provide students with "essential mathematical skills and knowledge in *Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, and Statistics and Probability*. It develops the numeracy capabilities that all students need in their personal, work and civic life, and provides the fundamentals on which mathematical specialties and professional applications of mathematics are built."

On Monday we will be learning about achievement standards and the importance of quality and consistency in teacher judgement and moderation. This learning will help us clarify the learning required at each year level and also assist us in expanding the range of activities that will engage student in their own learning.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible either at our Acquaintance Night or AGM.

Regards

Debbie Graham  
Principal

### Acquaintance Night

Acquaintance Night will be held on Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012. This is a time for you to come to school, to meet your child's teacher and to develop an understanding of the school and events that may be happening this year.

The R - 2 classrooms are open from 6.00 - 6.45pm and your child will have a series of tasks to complete with you to provide you with a really good understanding of their classroom and specialist programs. You can chat with the teacher and ask any general questions.

Please note there is no general meeting between sessions.



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The Year 6/7s will meet with parents in Langley Hall from 7.00pm whilst other primary classes move off to their respective rooms. These sessions will run from 7.00 – 7.45pm.

This information should cover such topics as:

- classroom expectations
- communication methods to be used
- homework expectations
- planned activities for the year
- curriculum topics to be covered
- outline of weekly program
- how parents may be of assistance

We hope to see all of you here for this introduction. You will notice around the school the class mottos that are on display and all rooms have been negotiating their class procedures with students. Teachers will provide more information to you at the Acquaintance Night about the classroom environment they have created and the goals that their class is working towards in 2012

## Resource Centre



Welcome back to a new school year and an amazing 9<sup>th</sup> year of the Premier's Reading Challenge. Children from Reception to Year 7 read 12 books by 7<sup>th</sup> September 2012.

Students can start adding to their record sheets now! Record sheets will be distributed ASAP. Students in 2012 will be able to achieve the Reader for Life – bronze award. This means that a number of students at CLG have participated in the Premier's Reading Challenge for 9 years. What an outstanding achievement!

This year, the Premier is asking students to read 12 + 1 books. He believes that if this happens a target of 1.5 million books read will be achieved this year. WOW!

All information about the Challenge is on the Premier's Reading Challenge website at [www.prc.sa.edu.au](http://www.prc.sa.edu.au) phone 8226 2006 or email [prc@sa.gov.au](mailto:prc@sa.gov.au)

### WORLD BOOK ONLINE REFERENCE CENTRE

Good news! Our school subscribes to the following award winning "World Book Online Reference Centres".

1. [World Book Kids](#) is based on World Book's award winning Student Discovery Encyclopaedia and is designed to give younger students, ESL students and reluctant readers a rewarding online learning experience. The site illustrations diagrams and maps enrich more than 2,000 articles selected for appeal and relevance.
2. [World Book Student](#) forms the foundation of an expansive reference database that includes over 40,000 encyclopedia and reference articles, thousands of links to outside web sites selected by our editors and contributors. It also includes an extensive Dictionary and Atlas plus audios, visuals and animations etc.
3. [Enciclopedia Estudiantil Hallazgos](#) – This is the 'Discovery Encyclopedia' in Spanish.
4. [World Book Dictionary](#)
5. [World Book Atlas](#)

Our World Book subscription allows us to give you and your family access to this valuable reference source through your home computers 365 days a year, 24 hours a day. We are providing this service to you at no charge. (We are paying a special whole school subscription fee. Subscription is normally \$99 for each family).

We hope that your whole family will use these World Book sites often to help with homework, special projects and at home learning and information seeking.

To access the World Book Web etc, follow these simple steps:

1. Go to the World Book web site  
<http://www.worldbookonline.com>
2. Type in the following user Login ID *colonel* and Password *light*
3. Once you have access put the website in your favourites or bookmark it for next time.
4. If you have any questions about using the World Book Online Reference Centre, please email [suphelp@worldbook.com](mailto:suphelp@worldbook.com)
5. This website can also be accessed through the school's extranet.

Please remember that login and password information is for students and their families only, and extending this information to people who do not live within the school district could result in loss of at-home access for our students.

### LIBRARY LOVERS DAY – 14<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

Competitions will be run in the Resource Centre during week 3 and include 'Match the favourite children's book with the right teacher' and colouring in competitions. Looking forward to seeing the students during week 3.  
Jan Hakkaart, Teacher Librarian

### Canteen News

**PANCAKE DAY – TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY.** Please return pancake orders as soon as possible, the last day for orders is **12 NOON 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY.**

Recess time is Year 4 – Year 7 only

Lunch time is Reception – Year 3 only

We will keep each student's order form until the morning of 21<sup>st</sup> February. Each class teacher will then redistribute the forms and the children will redeem their pancake/s in the rotunda in their allocated time slots. If anyone has any lemons to help with this please drop them off at the canteen as soon as possible.

New products for recess and/ or lunch:

**Frozen grapes – 30c and Frozen strawberries – 20c**

Volunteers required every morning from 8:50am – 10am. Feel free to drop in and have a coffee & chat whilst collating the class lunch boxes.

Thank you,

Helen Parsons, Canteen Manager

### Instrumental Music

There are spaces available for individual lessons in flute, clarinet, violin, and trumpet. Please contact Sarah Bradley on 0434 930 626 for more details.

## School Banking

For the start of Term 1, BankSA is offering all students who open a new Incentive Save Account via the School a \$10 Gift Voucher, which will be deposited into your child's account once opened.

All children under 13 who open an account with BankSA will also receive a Digger the Wombat Money Box, LittleSavers Calculator, LittleSavers Library bag and a School Bank Wallet. LittleSavers is BankSA's special saving club for kids and it's all about having fun and learning how to save! Take a look at the LittleSavers website [www.littlesavers.com.au](http://www.littlesavers.com.au)

This offer is available until 30 March 2012 and is for new customers only. For more details or to collect a BankSA Application Pack, please call into the school office.

## Assemblies

Our first whole school assembly will be held in Langley Hall tomorrow Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 11:20am. Our student run assemblies will begin in week 4 on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

The R-2 assembly (hosted by Room 22) will be from 11:20am- 12noon, and the Year 3-7 assembly (hosted by Room 1) will be from 12:10pm – 12:50pm.

## Medications

If your child/ren is taking any kind of medication and it is kept in the office, could you please come in **NEXT WEEK** and check to see if the date on the medication has expired as it is illegal to be administered once it's out of date. You will also need to fill in the permission form for 2012. Please collect any medication that is no longer required for your child/ren.

**There has been a confirmed case of chicken pox in the school.**

## Jessica's Junction

It's great to be back for another year. My key focus is to continue to support students, staff and the school community. I will be working on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. In week 4 (23 February) there will be a list of resources I have available in my parent library for you to borrow. If there are any questions or ways I can better support you as a family, please feel free to contact me via the school 82761523 or email [jessica.hunt@colgrdnsp.ssa.edu.au](mailto:jessica.hunt@colgrdnsp.ssa.edu.au)



## Parents of Year 6 & 7 students

Are you interested in the IGNITE program? IGNITE is a program for students with High Intellectual Potential (SHIP). Aberfoyle High School is the only DECD Special Interest School in the southern suburbs that offers a SHIP (IGNITE) program tailored to suit the needs of Gifted and Talented Students at high school. Current year 6 and 7 students are encouraged to apply for entry to the IGNITE 2013 program. For more information or an application form [www.aphs.sa.edu.au](http://www.aphs.sa.edu.au) or 08 8270 4455.

## After Hours Sport

Registration forms for kanga cricket, cricket, basketball, softball, netball, football and soccer are available from the front office.

## OSHC

The Pupil Free Day on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2012 is fully booked. Apologies to those who were hoping to book their children in.

As of 30 January 2012 Pupil free and school closure days will be charged at \$49.00 per day. Vacation care will be \$38.50 for incursions and \$49.00 for excursions

## Community News

**Advertisement or sponsorship is not to be seen as an endorsement by the school, or its staff or students, of any particular product or service.**

**MISSING** – Silver BMX mosh bike with plain black skater helmet. Was left in the bike shed overnight on 8/2/12. If found, please contact the front office 8276 1523

**KIDS CLUB** Following interest in club activities for younger children Trinity Baptist will run two groups on alternate Fridays. Years 3 to 7 meet on odd numbered school weeks beginning Friday of week 1 from 6:30 to 8:30pm. On alternate Fridays (from school week 2) a club for Reception to Year 3 students will be held from 3:30 to 5pm. Both groups meet at the church hall 8A Bedford Square Colonel Light Gardens. Contact Kevin Hull 8276 1144. (FYI - The overlap of year 3s is to allow parents to decide where their youngster would fit best)

**STURT LIONS FOOTBALL (SOCCER) CLUB**, your local Federation Club, is holding a Final Come and Try day for our Small Sided Football (SSF) teams on Feb 12<sup>th</sup> from 9.00am to 10.00am at Manson Oval, Bellevue Heights.

If your child is in the under 10 age group and interested in playing soccer this year we have limited spots available for the 2012 season. You can register TODAY by downloading the Junior Registration Form or come along and try any Sunday morning at one of our Summer Sessions. For more details check the website [www.sturtlions.com.au](http://www.sturtlions.com.au) or contact Garth Thompson 0408 853 195 or [ssfcoordinator@sturtlions.com.au](mailto:ssfcoordinator@sturtlions.com.au)

**KIDS DANCE CLASSES** – for fitness and fun at the Holdfast Community Centre, King George Avenue, Hove. Complimentary "come & try dancing lesson. Lessons are available to girls and boys between 5-12 years old. For more information email: [bounce\\_around@live.com.au](mailto:bounce_around@live.com.au) or [www.bouncearound.webs.com](http://www.bouncearound.webs.com) or 0438 348 438

**PHYS-KIDS** offers three different fun filled programs for children aged 3-12 including those with poor co-ordination and learning difficulties. **KISMET DRAMA** is for children from 9 years old up to adults. They hold a variety of workshops including characterisation, improvisation, auditioning and mime. For more information contact Carina Gunn 0411 028 466 or [www.physkids.com.au](http://www.physkids.com.au)

## PARENTING AFTER SEPARATION WORKSHOPS

Making Step-families work: a course for couples. Six evening sessions starting Tues 28<sup>th</sup> February 6:30-9pm. Relationships Australia 49a Orsmond St, Hindmarsh. Cost \$60/\$30 for bookings: 82450 8100

# べんりな にほんご

## Benrina Nihongo ~ Useful Japanese

Over the next few weeks during Japanese lessons students will be learning and reviewing basic Japanese greetings and expressions. Here are some to practice with your child at home.

Vinall せんせい and Natalie せんせい

おはようございます

Ohayogozaimasu

Good morning



こんにちは

Konnichiwa

Hello

さようなら

Sayonara

Good bye



おやすみなさい

Oyasuminasai

Good night

おげんきですか？

Ogenkidesuka?

How are you?



はい ~ いいえ

Hai ~ Iie

Yes ~ No